

ALLOTMENT OF FOODGRAINS TO HOSTELS IN MANGALORE CITY

43. Smt. ADDY SALDANHA (Mangalore).—

Will the Minister for Food and Forests be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it has come to the notice of Government that there is acute scarcity of rice and other food articles in Mangalore City ;

(b) whether it has come to the notice of Government that the mess charges of most of the College hostels have trebled during the course of the last two months due to exorbitant rise in prices of food articles ;

(c) whether the Government has taken steps to allot essential food articles to the various hostels located in and around Mangalore City ;

(d) whether the Government would allot special quota of rice to the College Students either from the Taluk Agricultural Marketing Society or from Janatha Bazaar ?

Sri K. H. PATIL (Minister for Food and Forests).—

(a) Government have taken note of the food situation in Mangalore City.

(b) No.

(c) Ration Cards have been issued to these hostels and they are already getting Government foodgrains on these cards.

(d) The requirements of the hostels would be more adequately met with effect from 1st March 1974 from which date informal rationing in Mangalore City will be introduced.

Smt. ADDY SALDANHA.—Sir, I have no supplementaries.

IMPROVEMENT OF CATTLE WEALTH IN CHIKKAMAGALUR DISTRICT.

133. Sri G. PUTTASWAMY (Mudigere).—

Will the Minister for Agriculture and Animal Husbandry be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that there is shortage of milk in Chickmagalur district even though there is a Amruthmahal Kaval and large extent of cattle wealth ;